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Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/591,279  
Filed: June 9, 2000  
Title: ***Engineering  $\beta$ -Ketoacyl ACP Synthase for  
Novel Substrate Specificity***  
Applicants: Katayoon DEHESH *et al.*  
Atty. Docket: 16518.126

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (one month);
2. an Amendment and Remarks in response to the Final Office Action mailed  
August 22, 2003; and
3. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and  
return it to our courier.

Applicants request that the following fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-  
2387 referencing docket number 16518.126:

\$ <u>110.00</u>	one-month extension of time fee
\$ <u>252.00</u>	additional claims fee for (14) additional dependent claims

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are  
necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are

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hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16518.126. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristan Lansbery", written in a cursive style.

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Attachments